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## KETTERING MAN RECEIVES TEN-YEAR SENTENCE FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

DAYTON – James Partin, age 43, of Kettering was sentenced in United States District Court here to ten years imprisonment for possession of images of child pornography.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, and Brian Moskowitz, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, announced the sentence handed down yesterday by Senior United States Judge Walter H. Rice.

Partin pled guilty on June 2, 2006 to one count of possession of child pornography. ICE agents filed the charge against Partin after they searched his residence on August 10, 2004 and found a computer containing approximately 14 still images of children under the age of 18 engaged in sexually explicit conduct. Partin had downloaded the pictures from the Internet.

"Partin's conviction triggered the minimum mandatory sentence provision of the PROTECT Act, a law passed by Congress in 2003," Lockhart said. "By including these minimum mandatory sentences, Congress has made its intent clear: the government has a compelling interest in protecting children from those who sexually exploit them. One of the means chosen by Congress is to impose severe punishments for repeat offenders."

Partin was convicted in 1999 in Franklin County, Ohio of 18 counts of child pornography-related crimes.

Lockhart commended the ICE agents who investigated the case and Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Clemmens, who is prosecuting the case.

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